CO3 (Version 2.5)

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CO3, a converter for proving confluence of conditional TRSs,¹ tries to prove confluence of conditional term rewrite systems (CTRSs, for short) by using a transformational approach (cf. [6]). The tool first transforms a given weakly-left-linear (WLL, for short) 3-DCTRS into an unconditional term rewrite system (TRS, for short) by using \mathbb{U}_{conf} [2], a variant of the unraveling \mathbb{U} [8], and then verifies confluence of the transformed TRS by using the following theorem: A 3-DCTRS \mathcal{R} is confluent if \mathcal{R} is WLL and $\mathbb{U}_{conf}(\mathcal{R})$ is confluent [1, 2]. The tool is very efficient because of very simple and lightweight functions to verify properties such as confluence and termination of TRSs.

Since version 2.0, a narrowing-tree-based approach [7, 3] to prove infeasibility of a condition w.r.t. a CTRS has been implemented [4]. The approach is applicable to syntactically deterministic CTRSs that are operationally terminating and ultra-right-linear w.r.t. the optimized unraveling. To prove infeasibility of a condition c, the tool first proves confluence, and then linearizes c if failed to prove confluence; then, the tool computes and simplifies a narrowing tree for c, and examines the emptiness of the narrowing tree. Since version 2.2, CO3 accepts both join and semi-equational CTRSs, and transforms them into equivalent DCTRSs to prove confluence or infeasibility [5].

This version has a new disproof criterion for confluence of CTRSs. A CTRS is trivially non-confluent if there exist a (possibly unconditional) critical pair $\langle s,t\rangle \Leftarrow c$ of \mathcal{R} and a substitution θ such that θ satisfies c and $s\theta,t\theta$ are different constructor terms of \mathcal{R} . To find such a substitution θ , we implemented the following sufficient condition for $\langle s,t\rangle \Leftarrow s_1 \approx t_1,\ldots,s_k \approx t_k$: There exists some $i \in \{1,\ldots,k\}$ such that $s_i\theta \to_{\mathcal{R}'}^{=} t_i\theta$, $s_i\theta,t_i\theta$ are constructor terms of \mathcal{R} , and for all $j \in \{1,\ldots,i-1,i+1,\ldots,n\}$, $s_j\theta \to_{\varepsilon,\mathcal{R}'} t_j\theta$, where $\mathcal{R}' = \{\ell \to r \mid \ell \to r \Leftarrow c \in \mathcal{R},\ c = \epsilon\}$. This criterion works for, e.g., 251.ari and 319.ari in ARI-COPS² (262.trs and 330.trs, resp., in COPS³).

Example 1. Consider the 3-DCTRS 251.trs:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{251}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{plus}(\mathsf{0},y) \to y \\ \mathsf{plus}(\mathsf{s}(x),y) \to \mathsf{plus}(x,\mathsf{s}(y)) \\ \mathsf{f}(x,y) \to z \Leftarrow \mathsf{plus}(x,y) \twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{plus}(z,z') \end{array} \right\}$$

The (conditional) critical pairs of \mathcal{R}_{251} are

$$\langle z, w \rangle \Leftarrow \mathsf{plus}(x, y) \twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{plus}(z, z'), \, \mathsf{plus}(x, y) \twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{plus}(w, w')$$

The first condition $\mathsf{plus}(x,y) \to \mathsf{plus}(z,z')$ is satisfied by the substitution $\theta_1 = \{z \mapsto x, z' \mapsto y\}$, which does not instantiate the second condition $\mathsf{plus}(x,y) \to \mathsf{plus}(w,w')$. The second condition is satisfied by the second rule of \mathcal{R}_{251} by means of the substitution $\theta_2 = \{x \mapsto \mathsf{s}(x'), w \mapsto x', w' \mapsto y\}$: $\mathsf{plus}(x,y)\theta_2 \to_{\mathcal{R}_{251}} \mathsf{plus}(w,w')\theta_2$. The composed substitution $\theta = \{z \mapsto \mathsf{s}(x'), z' \mapsto y, x \mapsto \mathsf{s}(x'), w \mapsto x', w' \mapsto y\}$ is a constructor substitution satisfying the conditional part of the critical pair. For the composed substitution θ , $z\theta$ and $z\theta$ are not joinable because they are different constructor terms. Therefore, $z\theta$ is a witness disproving confluence of $z\theta$.

http://www.trs.css.i.nagoya-u.ac.jp/co3/

²https://ari-cops.uibk.ac.at/ARI/

³https://ari-cops.uibk.ac.at/COPS/

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